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POETRY.

THE EXPOSTULATION. Now, Charley, I ne'er Would have married you, dear, Had I known of your passion for smoking ; Of that terrible stuff You've had surely enough-

Put it down-you are very provoking! I've sat by your side Till I feel quiet defied To speak, for the vapor is choking; Rut 'tis useless lo plend-You puff! puff! at "the weed," As if man were created for smoking!

Whiff! whiff! in the morn, Before breakfast, unshorn, Untidy-you know I'm not joking !-Then all through the day You are pulling away, And care not to me how provoking.

You'll tell me, of course, Twas not this made me hoarse, When taking that journey to Woking; Cuba first, and wife next, Twould an angel have vexed To mark your devotion to-smoking!

That 'witching old pipe I'm half tempted to gripe, And east in the fire I am poking; And would, too, but bother, You'd still find another, And cleave to the habit of smoking.

Ab. well! I'll give way, For, perhaps, as you say, No business have wives to be croaking; You wed us "to elerish," And lest we should perish, Like plants we must suffer a smoking!

THE CAVALRY OFFICER.

Colonel Eagene Mercille was an attache of Napoleon's staff. He was a soldier in the true sense of the word-devoted to his profession, and brave as a lion. Though of humble birth-a mere child of the truly as Heaven shall spare my life!" camp, and had followed the drain and bugle from boyhood. Every step in the line of promotion had been won by the stroke of his sabre; and his promotion from may as I promised." , jor of cavairy was for a gallant deal which and taught him all that his own good taste portion, I will be yours." and natural instinct had not led him to ac-

It was the carnival season in Paris, and young Merville found himself at the masked the giddy waltz. But at last while standing thoughtfully, and regarding the assembled throng with a vacant eye, his attention was aroused by the appearance of a person in a white satin domino, the universal elegance of whose figure, manner and bearing convinced all that her face and mind must be equal to her person in grace and loveliness.

Though in so mixed an assembly, still there was a dignity and reserve in the manper of the white domino that rather repulsed the idea of a familiar address, and it was some time before the young soldier found courage to speak to her.

Some alarm being given, there was a violent rush at the throng towards the door, where, unless assisted, the lady would have materially suffered, Eugene Merville offers his arm, and with his broad shoulders and stout frame wards off the danger. It was vourest French, and was witty, fanciful and captivating.

ful a form as you possess."

"No, I am sure not."

"Are you so confident?"

"Yes, I feel that you are beautiful. It cannot be otherwise.'

"Don't be sure of that," said the domino. "Have you never heard of the Irish Poet genius? Moore's story of the veiled prophet of Kho-

rassan-how when he disclosed his countenance, its bideous aspect killed his beloved son, and in Vienna, too that gay city. He one? How do you know that I shall not joins in the features of the masked ball. turn out a veiled prophet of Khorassau?" "Ah, lady, your every word convinces

me to the contrary,,' replied the enraptured domino steals before him, in the same soldier, whose heart began to feel as it had never felt before; he was already in love.

She eludes his efforts at discovery; permits him to hand her to her carriage which drives off in the darkness, and though he throws himself upon his fleetest horse he is unable to overtake her.

The young French colonel becomes moody; he has lost his heart and knows not what to do. He wanders hither and thither, shuns his former places of amusement, avoids his military companions, and in short, is as miserable as a lover can be. thus disappointed. One night, just after he had left his botel on foot, a figure muffled to the ears, stopped him.

"Well, monsieur, what would you with me ?" asked the soldier.

"You would know the name of the white domino?" was the reply.
"I would indeed!" replied the officer

hastily. "How can it be done?"

"Very well." "Step into this vehicle."

sincerely.

me to her."

"Follow me."

"I am at your command." And away rattled the young soldier and sadly. have no fear of personal violence. I am ring; can you produce its mate?"

"But you must be blindfolded."

care of myself." blindfolded into the house. When the Von Waldorff! he had met her at the mask ball. To fall heart. upon his knees, and tell her how much he

"Shall I believe all you say?"

may put upon me. mutual. Now, unloose your arm from my vision. waist. I have something more to say." "Talk on forever, lady! Your voice is

music to my ears."

more of me than you do now?"

masked!" he replied. "Then I will test you."

"How, lade ?"

very handsome, and of fine bearing, he was have professed, and I will be yours—as before the wind,

"O cruel, cruel suspense!"

"You demar."

"If at the expiration of a year you do West, transpired on the battle field beneath the not hear from me, then the contract shall Far different is it with the progress of

simplest questions.

Months roll on. Colonel Merville is true in other portions of the Union. at court; every effort being made by the the whole State the evidence of thrift, enwomen to captivate him, but in vain; he terprise and growing prosperity is evident. is constant and true to his yow.

But his heart was not made of stone the very fact that he had entertained such tender feelings for the white domino, has made him more susceptible than before.

At last he met the baroness Caroline Von Waldouff, and he secretly curses the a delightful moment; the lady spoke the engagement he had so blindly made at Paris. She seems to wonder at what she believes to be his devotion, and yet the dis-"Ah! lady, pray raise that mask, and re- tance that he maintains. The truth was, nearly a million. The present most popuveal to me the charms of feature that must that sense of honor was so great, that, accompany so sweet a voice and so grace- though he really loved the young baroness, and even that she returned the affection, "You would, perhaps, be disappointed." still be had given her his word, and it was

The satin domino is no longer the ideal of his heart, but assumes the most repulsive form in his imagination, and becomes in the place of his good angel-his evil

Well, time rolls on: he is to return in a few days; it is once more the carnival sea and what wonder filled his brain, when about the middle of the evening the white white satin dress he had seen her wear a year before at the French Opera

House in Paris. Was it not a fancy? "I come, Colonel Eugene Merville, to hold you to your promise," she said, laying her hand lightly upon his arm.

amazed soldier.

"Come, follow me, and you shall see that it is reality," contrinued the mask plea-

ise!" asked the domino as they retired into a saloon.

"Most truly in act, but alas, I fear not in heart."

"Indeed."

"It is too true, lady, that I have seen and loved another, though my vow to you has kept me from saying so to her." "And who is this that you thus love?"

"To the end of the earth, if it will bring keep my secret?" "Most religiously."

aid with with a sigh.

"And you really love her?"

his strange companion. "This may be a "Nevertheless, I must hold you to your trick," reasoned Engene Merville, "but I promise. Here is the other half of the tended the loss of his vision are almost too armed with this trusty sabre, and can take "Here it is," said Eugene Merville.

But there was no cause for fear since he domino raising her mask, and showing to and this step-father, conceiving a spite found the vehicle stopped, and he was led his astonished view the face of Baroness against the child, undertook, when intoxi-

bandage was removed from his eyes, he "Ah, it was the sympathy of true love, in his diabolical purpose, he was about to found himself in a richly furnished bouloir, that attracted me, after all," exclaimed the run a red-hot poker down his throat, when and before him stood the domino, just as young soldier, as he pressed her to his the frightened but desperate mother inter-

She had seen and loved him for his manhad thought of her since their separation, by spirit and character, and having found taking a cold which so far aggravated the that his thoughts had never left her, that by inquiry that he was worthy of her love. preceding inflammation of the eyes that the he loved her devotedly, was as natural as she had managed this delicate intringue to breathe, and he did so most gallantly and and had tested him, and now gave to him this he has no memory; and a blessed thing to him her wealth title and everything."

"Lady, let me prove it by any test you accompanied the arch-duchess" to Paris, feetly friendless. From that day to this, he Napoleon, to crown the happiness of his has mainly taken care of himself, and now, "Know, then, the feelings you avow are favorite, made him at once General of Di. although cheated by rascally agents and la-

THE GROWTH OF THE SOUTH.

The progress of the West has been made the index of our national prosperity. It "Would you marry me, knowing no cannot be denied that it has been almost marvelous; but much of the bustle and "Yes, if you were to go to the altar business has been more apparent than real. A wild and reckless spirit of speculation has possessed the people who have built its cities, and a thirst for change driven popu-"For one year be faithful to the love you lation westward like the sands of the desert

Chicago, which has been the theatre of of real estate -loss, under the influence of a "Nay, lady, I shall fulfil your injunction species of mania, going up to fabulous prices-is a broken city, and so of the whole

emperor's own eye. Murat, the Prince of be null and void. Take this half ring," she the South. Avoiding, with almost a soli-Cavalry officers, loved him like a brother continued, "and when I supply the broken tary exception, the insanity of speculation which has visited other portions of the He kissed the little emblem, swore again Union, her progress has been real. Imand again to be faithful, and pressing her provements have been based on capital. bands to his lips, bade her adien. He was Increased value of property has followed conducted away again as mysteriously as enlarge! power of production. We have ball in the French Opera House. Better he had been brought thither, nor could be bad occasion particularly to note the proadapted in his taste to the field than the by any possible means discover where he gress of the North-western parishes of Lonbondoir, he flirts but little with gay figures had been; his companion rejecting all islama, and have been able to present an that cover the floor and joins but seldem in bribes, and even refusing to answer the increase in production, population, wealth and improvement that is scarcely surpassed

> to his vow; and happy in the anticipation | The statistics of Arkansas will furnish of love. Suddenly he was ordered to an another bright example of Southern proembassy to Vienna, the gayest of all the gress. Within the past year 1,000,000 European capitals, about the time that Na. acres of her lands have been sold by the poleon was planning to marry the Dutchess General Government. The tide of emigra-Maria Louisa. The young colonel is hand, tion from the adjoining States has been un some, manly, and already distinguished in precedented. The increase in the value of arms, and becomes at once a great favorite hor products has been marked. Through

> > If we descend from generalities and confine our illustrations to single points, to one little nucleus of population, the same fact is perhaps more signally prominent. Twelve years ago Fort Smith, a settlement on the very out-skirts of civilization, contained four hundred inhabitants. It now has 3,000, having increased more than seven fold in a little more than one decade. The business of the place then amounted to but a few thousand dollars. Now it is estimated at lous portion of town was then a thicket of oak. Manufactures have sprung up in this spot but just rescued from the wilderness, and in the private buildings and all public improvements the evidence of prosperity,

refinement and wealth is found. This progress has been accomplished without the stimulus of railroads or any of the great enterprises of the day which so rapidly change the character and condition of a country. It is a spontaneous growth resulting only from the natural diffusion of industry under our system of social organization. It will require no vivid imagination to conceive what will be the result when railroads shall bind our western wilds to the central markets of the South-west, and open to the enterprising the vast resources of a country yet really unknown .-N. O. Picayune.

various State institutions for the subjects of on the best ascertained data, there would of cousins, giving birth to 3,009 deaf and dumb, blind, idiotic and insane.

Lady Mary Wortley Montague says that the only thing which reconciles her to being a woman is, that she will never be chance. He is of medium beight, thick-obliged to marry one.

WHAT A BLIND MANCAN DO

"I will be frank with you, and you will | The Springfield Republican gives the annexed interesting account of the remarkapears unboundedly grateful. He is now enwriting from the seat of war, says: "It is the Baroness Von Waldroff," he ble achievements of a blind genius now living in Ludlow:

"Alas! only too dearly," said the soldier age, who has been blind since he was two can accomplish so benevolent a result, he saw eighty Zonaves lying close to each tempt any detailed prescription of the navears old, and who does not remember that will do it. he ever saw. The circumstances which athorrible for belief, yet we have no reason to doubt them as they have been related to us, "Then I, too keep my promise?" said the His widowed mother married a drunkard, cated, to put his eyes out. Going further fered and prevented it. The child was then thrown down a cellar, where he lay all night selerotic coat of each was brust. Of all it is for him. At nine years of are he k They were married with great pomp, and his mother, and in that loss became ne

boring under every possible disadvantage, has money at interest. Now let us see what this man has done,

He is a mechanic, and knows every part of He is an engineer, and has not only charge, burden in life. May God help you." of stationary engines, but has run as an en. With a sigh, she resumed her labors, pregineer on the Mad River Railroad in Ohio, paring supper for the husband, who soon Of course he ran with a look out, and be. broke the silence, by his heavy sten. Suntween this look-out and himself he had ar. per was eaten in silence, which was much ranged a series of abbreviations of lanposition of any object on the track instan- was discussed, that night, and with heavy, the most astonishing changes in the value taneously. He was engineer, let it be re- but hopeful hearts, that father and mother membered, of a passenger train! What is decided, that Charley should leave their more remarkable than all, is that he has home as soon as another could be procured made a beautiful little steam engine with for him. It was a hard trial, but they his own hands, so small that he can carry thought it was for the good of their the whole of it in his pocket, and get up son. blind man, but this is but a beginning.

ties, is without doubt the most wonderful was a great way, for, he could not remember voice in the world. On Tuesday evening having been out of sight of home, in his of the present week, he was invited to a life. hear him, all of whom will bear testimony to their astonishment and delight. We suppose that all musical people will shrug their shoulders with incredulity when we tell them that his voice has the compass of five octaves; yet such is the fact that he demonstrated to this company. Of course the lowest notes are gutteral, and are the highest fulsetto; but the falsetto notes are pleasant and good, and the gutterals true tones, and as musical as such tones can be-We are not sufficiently versed in musical terms to tell what his lowest note is, but it is the lowest note in the piano, arranged upon the usual scale, or triple C, as he calls it. His chest tones are excellent, and although Carl Formes may have more power his quality is no better, while in his lower notes he goes down "out of sight" of Carl Formes altogether. We can give no idea of this voice by any comparison, for we have never heard a voice with which to

Of course, with such a voice as this, the owner is tempted to try tricks. The most interesting of these was the application of it to seven purposes. He began by singing in a delicate soprano' the first lines of "Oft in the stilly night;" then, as he proceed he slid into the alto, then into the tenor, then into the base, and then into the double base," an octave below. This finished the tune, when he rose, and, turning his back to the audience, executed some most excellent feats of ventriloquism, and wound off by imitating an old fashioned our Southern population, and the profit of spinning wheel so perfectly that the whole assembly was thrown into roars of laughter. He usually accompanies himself with a melodeon to which he has added a swell of his own invention, that produces all the ef-

fects of the swell in the organ. One of the most delightful of his per formances was a solo on the cornet, he playing it with one hand, and accompanying MARRYING COUSINS .- It has been as on this instrument, and in his own way, he "Is this a reality or a dream?" asked the certained, by careful investigation into the played a few airs with great sweetnesss and ductions of his mighty pen, from his first influence of marriages of consanguinity of taste, and executed some very difficult varioffspring, that over 10 per cent, of the blind ations. The instrument itself has been the and yearly 15 per cent of the idiotic, in the subject of his improving hand, but in what respect we know not. Added to all this. their defects, are offspring of kindred pa- he plays the guitar and other instruments, "Have you been faithful to your prom- rents. And making an estimate based up- and is a leader and teacher of bands. He Can genius be fettered? I will make bold seemed to take a great deal of interest in be found to twenty million white inhabi- explaining his steam engine to the compatants in the United States, 6,321 marriages ny, and to be thoroughly versed in mechanical matters.

This man's name is W. A. Carns. He was born, we think, in one of the Western set, modest in demeanor, interesting in con- the most steadfast happiness.

versation, and has received an education in some asylum for the blind, for which he apgaged in the invention of some means by which the blind may be able to have their

ARE THERE ANY FETTERS FOR GENIUS? Mother, I cannot be any longer depen-

from home, her mother's heart failed her.

"Your prayers are all I ask. I am willing, and am possessed of a big, brave heart, you know, mother."

"I would, that you might always remain in such blissfull ignorance of the world; a steam-engine as well as if he could see, but, it must not be so, you must bear your wondered at, by the younger brothers and guage, so that he could learn from him the sisters of Charley Morris. The subject

steam with pleasure. This might well be Such a boy as Charley Morris, could not considered accomplishment enough for one long want a situation. It was finally decided that he was to go with a merchant, He has a great genius for music, and pos- about fifty miles from home. Fifty miles sesses a voice which, in many characteristis is not far; but, to a boy like Charley, it

bition of his musical abilities, and a few home-made carpet bag. Then came hur- had blue eyes. Among the great men of rope. No one conversant with disease can to his employer's interest, and not forget to pray. The last kiss and he sprang into the carriage and was on his way.

After a long day's ride, he arrived at his new home. After supper he retired to his room—how lonely he felt. He opened his carpet-bag, there lay his Bible, presented by his Sabbath School teacher, a letter from | Post. the pastor's wife, and a bunch of flowers, by his little sister. How forcibly did he redize his lonely situation. Then it was, he made resolves, to study hard, and if he could—become a writer, for then he could live at home, to which his lonely heart was so much attached. Did be succeed? I'll carry you rapidly over five years of his existence, during which time he kept his resolves. He was in the store seventeen hours of the twenty-four, yet he found time to study, he did gain knowledge, and his sucess should serve as an incentive to every boy, who complains of want of time.

We find him again at midnight, he is bending attentively over a letter received that day from the editor of the N. Y .to whom he had sent a specimen manuscript Arising hastily from the chair, he paced across the room, and back impatiently. Father," "mother," "home," "happiness," could have been heard, by an attentive listener. Praise himself, no, he was too humble, he poured fourth his "big heart" in gratitude towards the editor of the periodical before mentioned, who had encouraged his efforts. He again knelt before his God, his lips poured fourth praise, for the answer to his prayers five years before.

Charley Morris is now blessing his home with his efforts, to keep his parents happy and cheerful in their old age, fulfilling his mothers prophecy. He has taken an elevated position in literature and will soon be a graduate of Yale. In prosperity he remembers with gratitude his friend the editor, who himself on the piano with the other. Up- first brought him before the public. No one can bribe him to transfer the prodisinterested friend.

His pen, now has a mighty influence on the public. Is he not worth imitating! If, under the circumstances, his mind could ot be kept in darkness, could it under any? to say-No! GEORGE.

There is nothing purer than honesty nothing sweeter than honesty, nothing sweeter than charity, nothing warmer than love, nothing brighter than virtue, and nothing States, and has lived where he could get a more steadfast than faith. These, united in one mind, form the purest, the holiest and

The Only Son of his Mother .- A correspondent of the New York Evening Post,

One sees that on all sides the blue trowsers and white jackets of the Austrians who He is a young man, twenty four years of their regular newspapers, and if anybody all here in great numbers. In one place I of Solferino still are, it would be idle to at-Around the eight dead Frenchmen I count- the principles which determined the Ausfed the bodies of two hundred and three trians to deliver it are not hard to conjecture dent on father, he is unable to maintain so Austrians. This will give you some idea. The serious danger to which the allied large a family. I am the oldest and feel it of the dreadful staughter that was made of army must have been exposed in attempting to be my duty, to start, out and work for them. The bayonet is the arm that they to cross the Mincio between Peschiera - a These words were spoken by Charles at a distance, they stand well the attack; hostile army exceeding 200,000 men, has Morris, or, as he was more familiarly called, but the moment they see the French troops been already pointed out in those columns, Charley Morris, as he sat gazing into the are about to attack them with the bayonet It was probable, therefore, that the French fire, and putting his bare feet on the hearth. they at once retreat. This accounts for the Emperor would wait until the army about Teats came to that mother's eyes, as she immense number of them that are killed, to be landed near Venice and the forces of she stooned to kiss the sunburnt brow of Alas, it is a sad thing to see the sacks and Prince Napoleon had come up, so as to her noble boy. The subject broached so other equipments of the dead piled up, threaten the rear nad left flank of the Ausabruntly by Charley had often been agita. Letters and many little tokens of affection trian army. In the meantine, it was the ted between his parents, but, when Mrs, are taken in charge by some of the officers obvious duty of the allies to wait patiently Morris thought, of the trials awaiting him appointed to that duty; but still when so until their flank attack was organized and many are killed, many things must be need on the point of being executed. If the Aus-"Don't you feel to young, too think of essarily overlooked. I picked up one of trians stood fast on the left bank of the leaving your home, to seek another, my the sack that were in a piles near the sacks. Minein until this attack was leveloped, they terday, and found it w. a most affectionate they did not stand fast, but retreated to event of real importance, had occurred.

of eyes of rival lady loves, exclaims:

"The bright black eye, the melting blue, I cannot choose betwist the two!

fore and since. Black eyes are the more Black eyes flash ; blue eyes languish, attack." it of the azure, everything considered. The

Don't Give Up .- "I can't do it, father. Indeed I can "."

"Never say can't, my son; it isn't a good "But I can't, father. And if I can't 1 can't. I'de tried and tried, and the answer

won't come come out right." "Suppose you try again, Edward," said Mr. Williams, the father of the discouraged business under the sign of the Two Mon-

"There is no use in it.," replied the lad. "What if you go to school to-morrow without the correct answer to the sum?" "I'll be put down in my class," returned Edward.

Mr. Williams shook his head, and his was a silence of a few moment Edward said confidently, "I will try, and I know it will come out right next time."

And so it did. One more earnest trial and his work was done. Far happier was remembered reading once that 'A fellow he after this successful effort than he could feeling makes us wondrous kind? have been if vielding to a feeling of discouragement, he had left his task unaccom-

And so all will find it. Difficulties are permitted to stand in our way that we may overcome them; and only in overcoming them can we expect success and happiness. The mind, like the body, gains and happiness. The mind, like the body, gains strength and maturity by vigorous exercise. It must feel and brave, like the oak, the rushing storm, as well as bask amid gentle breezes in the warm sunshine.

SOLOMON'S TEMPLE .- A model of Solo mon's Temple, 34 by 24 feet, and on a scale of fourteen cubits to one foot, (reckoning the cubit 18 inches,) is now on exhibition in California. Its cost is said to be \$20,-000. It contains also perfect models of the ark, cherubim, altar of incense, table of show bread, the great golden candlestick. brazen sea, ten brazer lavers, the brazen altar, and all the utensils used in the temple

A celebrated wit was asked why he did ot marry a certain young lady to whom he was much attached. "I know of no reason," replied he, "except the great regard we have for one or another.

WHY THE AUSTRIANS ATTACKED THE AL LIES AT SOLFERING.-The following, from the London News, gives the Austrian attack upon the allies at Solferino:

"Imperfect as the accounts of the battle other, in a small ravine, near the railroad, gagement. But its general features and dread most. While under cover or firing, distance of twenty miles - in the face of a of the French soldiers . . . were killed yes would be exposed to a double assault; if letter from a mother to her only son. She Verona, they would demoralize their army concluded by hoping that the Almighty and sacrifice the whole of Venetia -- perhaps would allow her to see her only child be even cause the surrender of their whole fore she died. I dropped the letter with a army, which might be blocked up in heavy heart, and rejoined my companions. Verona by the blocking up of the Northern who were ready to continue our journey on road to Trent, and the Eastern road to Vito Magenta, where the great battle, the conza. In short, if the Austrians were to fight at all, it were better that they should Holmes, an American poet, discoursing reinforcement of 40,000 men from the side fight before the allies had received the of Venice and as many more from Tuscany. But as the French Emperor declined to as-The choice has puzzled many a man be- sume the initiative until this fresh army was ready to ex-operate with him, the only brilliant; blue eyes the more winning .- | course for the Austrians was to begin the

Black eyes are passionate; blue eyes are SMOKING A CAUTE OF INSANITY .- The tertender.—Black eyes are most abundant in rible ravages which tobacco is making on France, Italy and Spain; blue eyes in the Modies and minds of the young seem England and Germany. Except some of to be attracting the world. In a pamphlet the early Norman kings' and except also just issued by Dr. Seymour of London, on Charles II. (a great sinner and voluntual private lumatic asylums, and the cause of ry.) all the sovereigns of England had blue insanity of late years, the Doctor denounces eyes. But the face is not much to the cred with emphasis as one of his producing causes the immoderate smoking indulged Saxon race, it is worth nothing, are a blue- in by boys and young men at the universieyed race; so that a blue eye is no sign of ties and "larger schools, now called colleges." weakness. It is said that all the Presidents The Doctor's remarks are as applicable to of the United States, except Gen. Harrison, the youths in this country as those in Euworld the blue eyes appear to have been doubt that excessive smelting-especially in predominant.-Socrates, Shakespeare, Locke, the cause of young people-must be highly Bacon, Milton, Goethe Franklin and Napo- injurious to both mind and body. Its efleon, all had blue eyes. So also according feet is to depress the circulation-the heart to tradition, had the Saviour. Yet in the becomes weak, irregular in its action, and entire world of mankind black eyes are the mind filled with imaginary evils. This greatly in the majority. So the blue eyes may continue for years but at length the must "look out" fot themselves .- Boston smoker dies -- often suddenly; then examination has shown that the muscular structure of the heart is imperfect in its action : the left side is thin, and in some cases in which sudden death has occurred, there has been found little more than a strip of muscular fibre left on that sids.

A FALSE PRETENCE .- An Irish inkeep er came to a small village in the neighborhood of Brighton, England, and commenced keys.' The publican already established there, past the new house one day, and secing his rival at the door, desired to be intro duced to his partner. The other replied that he was in business on his own account. 'The more shame for you,' chuckled the original Boniface, to carry on business unountenance assumed a grave as tout. Marte der the false pretence of a partnership (pointing to the sign) when there is only one of you.' 'Ob,' retorted the Hibernian, 'it's myself that wondered why a rival in trade should ask for an introduction, until I

SARCASTIC. - John Randolph was one of the most sarcastic men that ever lived. One time a young man attempted make his acquaintance. He obtained an introducion and among the first remarks, said :

'I passed by your house lately, Mr. Ran-'I hope you always will?' was the reply,

Another one twitted him as to his 'want of education: 'The gentleman reminds me,' said Ran-

dolph in reply, of the lands about the heads waters of the Montgomery, which are poor by nature, and cultivation has ruined them! A King's Proxy.—Bassompierre, the

French Ambassador to Spain, was relating to Henry IV. the particulars of his entry into Madrid. 'I was mounted,' he said, 'on the smallest mule in the world.'- 'Ah!' exclaimed the king, 'what an amusing sight ! An ass upon a mule !'- 'Very good, sire,' retorted Bassompierre, 'I was your majesty's representative."

KISSING .- A female writer says that a rich, hearty kiss will last a whole day. Yes, and much longer. We had one some time ago, that lasted nearly a month i. e., it is nearly a month since we had one. Wonder how much longer it will